

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussions is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-3 are presently active case. Claim 3 has been amended and claim 5 has been cancelled by way of the present amendment.

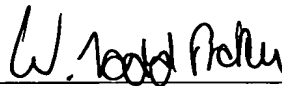
In the outstanding office action, claim 3 was rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Williams et al. in view of Loesch et al. Claims 1 and 2 were indicated as being allowable. Lastly, claim 5 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but was indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter.

In response to the indication of allowability, Applicant has rewritten claim 3 to include the limitation defined by claim 5. Consequently, claim 3 is believed to in condition for allowance.

No further issues are believed to outstanding in the present application, and the present application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance. An early and favorable action is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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